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For: ANTI-HIRUDIN POLYCLONAL ANTIBODIES AND THEIR USE FOR

IDENTIFICATION, IMMUNOPURIFICATION AND QUANTITATIVE

DETERMINATION OF HIRUDIN

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Prior to initial examination of the application, please amend the above-identified application as shown on the following pages: